PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Present Application:

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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RELEASABLY ATTACHING A

POLISHING PAD TO A CHEMICAL-MECHANICAL PLANARIZATION

MACHINE

Prior Application:

Examiner : Eileen P. Morgan

Art Unit : 3723

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Amend the specification by inserting a new section before the "Technical Field" as follows:

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional of pending United States Patent Application No. 09/539,854, filed March 31, 2000, which is a divisional on United States Patent Application No. 09/181,578, filed October 28, 1998. --

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-88 and 95-98.

Respectfully submitted,

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